

VALUABLE LESSONS.

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from the government along many special lines of agriculture besides that of live stock breeding, but it is admitted by all concerned that the development of the live stock industry of the country has been the determining element, which has placed them on a permanent basis of prosperity.

The horses of Belgium have come to possess such qualities as power machines that they are sought for draft purposes by purchasers from near and from far, and the prices paid are such that no Highland County farmer would fail to learn the object lesson if he could see as the writer has, hundreds of Belgian geldings sold in a single day at public auction, at least one every minute, and none at a price less than \$435 and scores much higher, to go to Germany, Holland, England and the north of France to be put in harness for the purpose of transporting the heavy traffic. Incident to the business of those countries or to do the work of the farms outside the breeding districts.

Suppose Highland County would take a sudden and concerted notion to produce one hundred thousand such horses in the next ten years and also determine to have nothing but the best cattle, sheep, road horses and hogs possible.

The possibilities are so great that the wonder is to me that we are not precipitately scrambling in all directions to get foundation stock on which to found a business that will change a mere living into a prosperous pleasing and gratifying avocation, that has class, dignity, and emolument commensurate with the ability and industry each farmer must possess, nowadays to be only a fair success in his calling.

Down in Clay township there lives a friend of mine, a very plain matter of fact man, who knows by experience the practical truth of the great breeding principle, known the world over, as "Like Produce Like" that is, if one breeds for a certain quality one will fall unless one uses as the foundation the seed of that very quality which it is desired to reproduce. Under this time honored principle it is useless to temporize in the hope that nature may play a trick in the interest of the temporizer, who may use foundations of doubtful character, however promising the individuality may happen to be. For the trick can never be turned and the ordinary life of a man will be well nigh spent before even mediocre success can be attained with common stock, no matter how good they look or how hard he may try.

This friend of mine, a small farmer, desired to produce speed in horses and he went about it with judgment and economy, but saw to it that he had the right kind of breeding stock. He indulged in no brilliant flashes of show or pretense, but went right on farming and breeding the right kind and educating the colts right on the farm; consistently sticking to the purpose laid out for himself without fear, favor or deviation. It has been only a few years, but George Evans has sold colts after colts of his own breeding, at prices ranging from one thousand to three thousand five hundred dollars and all the time he has had besides the money compensation the consciousness of doing something worth while.

Institutions such as "The Union Stock Yards Co.", "The Kansas City Live Stock Show Co.", "The State of Ohio", as well as most other states, and thousands of smaller divisions of our great country, not to speak of the United States government itself, have spent in the aggregate, millions upon millions of dollars in an effort to teach the great lesson herein set forth and yet there are those who say it is the rich man's game; astounding to contemplate!

The peasants of Belgium and France are not the rich men of those countries. The cattlemen of Scotland are tenant farmers and the shepherds of England are the descendants of a typical serving class of the north hills. Yet they have so improved the respective excellences of their chosen breeds that they are now commanding the clamorous coin of the rich from all the world.

If any argument were necessary to prove that agriculture without live stock will fail in the long run, it would only be necessary to investigate the high priced land areas of Illinois where the rotation in the main is corn and oats, alternately year in and year out, on the theory that the land valued at from \$200 to \$300 and more per acre is naturally so rich that it will never wear out. Yet now they are not producing as much corn or wheat per acre as we in Highland County are doing on our lands nursed and husbanded with live stock and proper rotation. But why not produce a kind of live stock that will double the profit obtained when it is as easy as our present methods. The reason why we do not is a mystery to me.

The railroads have long since seen the advantage to be had in improved live stock, looking toward a general betterment of agriculture and in-

dentally a larger traffic for themselves and have offered every inducement for attendance upon these exhibitions besides substantial contributions in a financial way.

There were some from Highland county in attendance upon the Chicago show but far too few.

If we could have sent five hundred farmers that possessed zeal and spirit, at the expense of the county it would have paid the county.

If half the farmers of the state would go to the state fair at Columbus, each year with a real desire to be inspired with new determination to make the best of the opportunities afforded on the farmer of the state, there would be a quick revolution in the right direction and the money spent by the Experiment Station, the colleges of agriculture and the general government would at once be in to show enormous returns.

H. M. BROWN.

Sinking Spring M. E. Circuit.

Pisgah, preaching service 10:30.
Junior League at Sinking Spring 2:00
Carmel, preaching service 2:30.
Epworth League at Sinking Spring 8:00

Conway Chapel, preaching 7:00.
Revival meetings in progress at Conway's Chapel.
Class meeting at Cedar Chapel, Sunday morning at 10:30.

CLYDE HOWARD, Pastor.

Little Miss Susan.

What promises to be the biggest comedy sensation in years is Fred Raymond's latest effort in playwriting which he has christened Little Miss Susan. In writing this comedy, Mr. Raymond has followed a precedent established several years ago by Denman Thompson when this latter named actor author wrote The Old Homestead, using the same characters that he had used in his earlier play of Joshua Whitcomb. The characters in Little Miss Susan are of Mr. Raymond's own creation and you have probably seen and enjoyed most of them in some of his previous productions; but the play itself, is new, the ideas up-to-date, and when you see these old favorite characters worked into charming plot with the most laughable situation imaginable, you can not fail to be more than pleased.

adv

Nine applicants took the teachers' examination on Saturday.

Col. L. B. Boyd went to Springfield Wednesday to spend a couple of days.

Hon. Anthony Dunlap, of Cincinnati, was here Friday on legal business.

Mrs. Daniel Morgan and Mrs. G. B. Beecher spent Monday in Cincinnati.

Miss Minnie Thornburg, of Chicago, is visiting her mother, here.

Mrs. P. B. Zink entertained with a dinner Thursday evening for her guest, Mrs. Frank McKeehan, of Denver, Col.

Rev. T. H. Johnson filled the pulpit of the Linwood Baptist church, Cincinnati, on Sunday.

Mrs. Will Powell and little daughter, of Dayton, are the guests of her mother, Mrs. Gertrude Winegardner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bell left yesterday to spend a couple of weeks in New York City.

Mrs. P. B. Zink entertained with a Kensington Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Frank McKeehan, of Denver, Col.

Rev. John Howard will preach at Prospect M. E. church next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

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CORN GROWING CONTEST

Six Boys Take Part in This County—Edgar Williams Raises Over 100 Bushels.

Six boys from Highland county took part in the Boys' Corn Growing Contest, conducted by the State Board of Agriculture and all made excellent records.

The boys and the number of bushels produced per acre by them follows: J. Edgar Williams, Liberty township, 104.491 bushels.

Lloyd Hodson, Fairfield township, 88.228 bushels.

Joseph Blackburn, Penn township, 87.857 bushels.

Charles Blackburn, Penn township, 83.83 bushels.

Donald Duckwall, Liberty township, 52.05 bushels.

Nearly 1200 boys enlisted in the contest. Of these 91 got over 100 bushels of corn off of their acre.

Dewey Hanes, of Darke county, was the champion, raising 129 125 bushels on his acre. He took land on which alfalfa had been grown for several years, tile drained it, put on it 10 loads of manure and 600 pounds of commercial fertilizer, containing 10 per cent. of phosphorous and 6 per cent. of potash, planted May 9 choice seed corn, carefully tended his crop and harvested it between Nov. 1 and 10.

What the 91 boys, who raised over 100 bushels to the acre, accomplished is to be judged by comparison with the average production of corn in Ohio, which is 35 bushels to the acre.

The prize winners in this contest will start on a trip to Washington next Monday, Dec. 16. They will travel on a special train the Corn Special. The train will stop for a half a day in Pittsburg, where the boys will be the guests of the National Stockman and Farmer. Four hours will be spent in Harrisburg, Capital of Pennsylvania and three full days in Washington. In Washington special tours have been arranged. On Wednesday the boys will be the guests of the Ohio Farmer on a trip to Mt. Vernon, the home of Washington. Thursday they will be received by President Taft and arrangements have been made for them to attend sessions of both the Senate and House of Representatives.

The trip will be personally conducted by Hon. A. P. Sandies, secretary of the Board of Agriculture.

In almost all of the counties the giving of prizes was taken up by some association or business house. But unfortunately no such action was taken here and if the boys get to go they must pay their own way, which will be \$50.

Corn Crushing.

We will have our crusher in operation after Dec. 5th, and shall be glad to have your work.—adv.
(12 19) RICHARDS MILL.

Mowrystown will not have water works for some time. At the election held Monday the vote was two to one against, issuing \$3,000 worth of bonds for putting in a water works system for that village.

Prof. and Mrs. V. H. Nulley, of Anderson, Ind., were the guests of Misses Mae and Mattie Ayres, a few days last week. Prof. Nulley returned home Friday, but Mrs. Nulley remained for a visit.

New York has within its city boundaries 85,000 vacant acres of land.

Scarborough Real Estate. adv

Piano For Sale!

High Grade Mahogany Piano; reasonable price; must sell at once. Inquire of Miss Lillian Milburn, 421 1-2 South West St., Hillsboro, Ohio.

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